promote the union, prosperity and happiness of our common country.

On motion of Mr. Phelps,

Ordered, That the following named Gentlemen be and hereby are declared permanent Officers of this House:

Wm. R. Cole, of Baltimore city, Chief Clerk; Thomas H. Moore, Baltimore county, Reading Clerk; Samuel F. Butler, Baltimore county, Sergeant-at-Arms; Joseph C. Mitchell, Baltimore city, Assistant Sergeant at-Arms; Daniel Kent, of Calvert county, M. Henry Fooks, Worcester county, John H. Woodward, Baltimore city, James W. Jeffers, Queen Anne's county, Philip Medders, Kent county, Elias Ware, Baltimore city, Levin Handy, Somerset county, Committee Clerks; Q. W. Ratcliffe, of Baltimore city, Folder; Esma Lowe, Caroline county, and Daniel E. Diggs, Baltimore city, Assistant Folders; James D. Cook, Howard county, Postmaster; Samuel Kerby, Baltimore city, Assistant Postmaster; Charles Worthington, Harford county, Doorkeeper, A. S. Cooper, Baltimore county and Albert Tolson. Prince George's county, Assistant Doorkeeper; Edward Marshall, Dorchester county, F. Middleton, Charles county, J. V. Baxter, Baltimore city, R. H. Bogly, Montgomery county, John McCabe, Jr., Anne Arundel county, W. G. Jones, Cecil county, Pages; James H. Ridgway, of Talbot county, Lamplighter; Z. Tippett, St. Mary's county, Keeper of Committee Rooms.

On motion of Mr. Ford,

Ordered, That the thanks of this House are hereby tendered to the Hon. Francis P. Phelps, for his dignified and courte-ous discharge of the duties of temporary Chairman of this House.

On motion of Mr. Smith,

Mr. Ford, of Baltimore County, administered the oath of office to the Speaker.

The members and officers present were then severally qualified by the Speaker, by taking the oath of office prescribed by the Constitution.

On motion of Mr. Thomas,

Leave was granted a Select Committee of nine to report a bill, to restore to full citizenship, and the right to vote and hold office, all persons who may be deprived thereof by the provisions contained in the Fourth Section of the First Article of the Constitution of this State.

On motion of Mr. Neilson,

Leave was granted to the Baltimore City delegation to report a bill, to change the time of election for Mayor and City Council of Baltimore.